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Grade 4 Reading

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Theme 2 Selection 2

“Tanya’s Reunion”

Read the selection, “Tanya’s Reunion”. Then, answer the following questions.

1. At the beginning of the story, why does “silence fall across the dinner table”?

- a) Everyone was busy eating.
- b) Tanya and her brothers were surprised to hear Grandma’s news.
- c) The family is clearing the table.
- d) Grandma had made delicious bread pudding that morning.

2. Which of the following helps you to know that “Tanya’s Reunion” is an example of realistic fiction.

- a) The illustrations look like real people doing real things.
- b) The characters speak the way real people speak.
- c) The characters act like real people.
- d) All of the above

3. On p.208, what does Tanya pick up, brush off, and put in her basket?

- a) an apple
- b) a stick
- c) a piece of old fence
- d) flowers

4. When Grandma first arrived at the farm, she told Uncle John, “I think I’ll let these old limbs take me the rest of the way”. What does this mean?

- a) She found a tree branch to rest under.
- b) She is tired of riding and will walk to the house.
- c) She would like a ride to the house
- d) She will use a tree branch for a cane to help her.

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5. How does Tanya feel about finding the old fence piece?

- a) excited and proud
- b) worried and anxious
- c) upset and nervous
- d) disappointed and sad

6. This selection is mainly about

- a) an old run-down farm.
- b) a little girl who does not enjoy her family reunion.
- c) a family who visits a farm.
- d) a girl who learns about the importance of her family's heritage.

7. The author most likely wrote this selection to show

- a) that it's fun to pick fresh apples
- b) that the old farm is where Grandma once lived
- c) that it's important to know and understand your family's past and present
- d) that a little girl loves her Grandma

8. Read the sentence. "Tanya spied a car, trailing clouds of dust, coming towards her".

What is the meaning of the word "spied" in this sentence?

- a) saw
- b) to secretly watch
- c) a person who secretly watches the actions of others
- d) to move very fast

9. Which word does not have the same "word root" as the others?

- a) signaled
- b) spectacles
- c) suspected
- d) spectacular

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Open-ended Response

Think about some ways that Grandma and Tanya are alike and different. Write a paragraph that describes at least one way they are alike and at least one way they are different. Use examples from the selection to support your answer.

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Answer Key and Eligible Content

Item Number	Answer	Descriptor	Assessment Anchor
1	b	Inference	R4.A.1.3.1
2	d	Genre	R4.A.1.6
3	b	Inference	R4.A.1.3.1
4	b	Inference	R4.A.1.3.1
5	a	Inference	R4.A.1.3.1
6	d	Summarize / Main Ideas	R4.A.1.5.1 / R4.A.1.4.1
7	c	Author’s Purpose	R4.A.1.6.1
8	a	Context Clues	R4.A.2.1.2
9	a	Word Roots (-spect/sign)	R4.A.1.2
Open-ended		Comparison	R4.B.1.1

Open-ended Rubric

3 Points

demonstrates complete knowledge of comparison by identifying at least 1 similarity and 1 difference between Grandma and Tanya and providing at least one example from the selection to support each.

2 Points

demonstrates partial knowledge of comparison by identifying 1 similarity or 1 difference between Grandma and Tanya and providing example(s) from the selection that support the response.

1 Point

demonstrates incomplete knowledge of comparison by identifying 1 similarity or 1 difference between Grandma and Tanya , but lacking examples from the selection to support their answer.

0 Points

response provides insufficient material for scoring, or is inaccurate

